

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S7443–S7508

Measures Introduced: Twelve bills were introduced, as follows: S. 1445–1456. **Page S7480**

Measures Considered: National Defense Authorization Act: Senate continued consideration of S. 1390, to authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2010 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, taking action on the following amendment proposed thereto:

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Pending:

Levin/McCain Amendment No. 1469, to strike \$1,750,000,000 in Procurement, Air Force funding for F–22A aircraft procurement, and to restore operation and maintenance, military personnel, and other funding in divisions A and B that was reduced in order to authorize such appropriation.

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A unanimous-consent agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the bill at 9:30 a.m., on Wednesday, July 15, 2009. **Page S7506**

Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Aaron S. Williams, of Virginia, to be Director of the Peace Corps.

Brenda Dann-Messier, of Rhode Island, to be Assistant Secretary for Vocational and Adult Education, Department of Education.

Dennis K. Burke, of Arizona, to be United States Attorney for the District of Arizona for the term of four years.

Steven M. Dettelbach, of Ohio, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Brendan V. Johnson, of South Dakota, to be United States Attorney for the District of South Dakota for the term of four years.

Karen Louise Loeffler, of Alaska, to be United States Attorney for the District of Alaska for the term of four years.

Florence T. Nakakuni, of Hawaii, to be United States Attorney for the District of Hawaii for the term of four years.

Carter M. Stewart, of Ohio, to be United States Attorney for the Southern District of Ohio for the term of four years.

Routine lists in the Air Force. **Pages S7506–08**

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Amendments Submitted: **Pages S7483–S7505**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 6:05 p.m., until 9:30 a.m. on Wednesday, July 15, 2009. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S7506.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION AGENCY

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the creation of a Consumer Financial Protection Agency, after receiving testimony from Michael Barr, Assistant Secretary of the Treasury for Financial Institutions; Richard Blumenthal, Connecticut Attorney General, Hartford; Edward L. Yingling, American Bankers Association, Travis Plunkett, Consumer Federation of America, and Peter J. Wallison, American Enterprise Institute, all of Washington, D.C.; and Sendhil Mullainathan, Harvard University, Cambridge, Massachusetts.

THE ECONOMY AND FRAUD

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: Subcommittee on Consumer Protection, Product Safety,

and Insurance concluded a hearing to examine consumer protection from fraud, after receiving testimony from David Vladeck, Director, Bureau of Consumer Protection, Federal Trade Commission; Chris Koster, Missouri Attorney General, Jefferson City; Charles Bell, Consumers Union, Yonkers, New York; and Sally Greenberg, National Consumers League, and Timothy J. Muris, George Mason University School of Law, both of Washington, D.C.

HARDROCK MINING AND RECLAMATION ACT

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded a hearing to examine S. 796, to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, focusing on the royalties states charge and number of abandoned hardrock mine sites and hazards, after receiving testimony from Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior; Robin M. Nazzaro, Director, Natural Resources and Environment, Government Accountability Office; Jim Butler, Parsons Behle & Latimer, Salt Lake City, Utah; Phillips Baker, Jr., Hecla Mining Company, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho; John D. Leshy, University of California Hastings College of Law, San Francisco; and Cathy Carlson, EARTHWORKS, Boulder, Colorado.

GLOBAL WARMING REDUCTION: AGRICULTURE AND FORESTRY COMMUNITIES

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine economic opportunities for agriculture, forestry communities, and others in reducing global warming pollution, after receiving testimony from William Hohenstein, Director, Global Change Program Office, Department of Agriculture; Jeffrey W. Hopkins, Rio Tinto, and Bob Stallman, American Farm Bureau Federation, both of Washington, D.C., and Fred Krupp, Environmental Defense Fund, New York, New York.

TRANSPORTATION'S ROLE IN CLIMATE CHANGE

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Committee concluded a hearing to examine transportation's role in climate change and reducing greenhouse gases, after receiving testimony from Ray LaHood, Secretary of Transportation; Regina A. McCarthy, Assistant Administrator, Office of Air and Radiation, Environmental Protection Agency; Mayor Ralph Becker, Salt Lake City, Utah; David Bragdon, Metro Council, Portland, Oregon; Steve Winkelman, Center for Clean Air Policy, Port Chester, New York; and Ray Kuntz, Watkins and Shepard Trucking, Helena, Montana.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Finance: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of William J. Wilkins, of the District of Columbia, to be Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service and an Assistant General Counsel, Daniel M. Tangherlini, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Secretary for Financial Management and to be Chief Financial Officer, and Rosa Gumataotao Rios, of California, to be Treasurer of the United States, all of the Department of the Treasury, and Carmen R. Nazario, of Puerto Rico, to be Assistant Secretary for Family Support, Department of Health and Human Services, who was introduced by Senator Carper, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Committee continued consideration of Affordable Health Choices Act, but did not complete action thereon, and will meet again on Wednesday, July 15, 2009.

NOMINATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee continued hearings to examine the nomination of Sonia Sotomayor, of New York, to be an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

Hearings recessed subject to the call and will meet again on Wednesday, July 15, 2009.

HEALTH CARE SERVICES FOR WOMEN VETERANS

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine health care services for women veterans, focusing on the on-site availability of health care services for women veterans at VA facilities and key challenges that VA facilities are experiencing in providing health care services for women veterans, after receiving testimony from Patricia Hayes, Chief Consultant, Women Veterans Health Strategic Health Care Group, Veterans Health Administration, and Irene Trowell-Harris, Director, Center for Women Veterans, both of the Department of Veterans Affairs; Randall B. Williamson, Director, Health Care, Government Accountability Office; Joy J. Ilem, Disabled American Veterans, and Jennifer Olds, Veterans of Foreign Wars, both of Washington, DC; Tia Christopher, Swords to Plowshares, San Francisco, California; Genevieve Chase, American Women Veterans, Alexandria, Virginia; and Kayla M. Williams, Broadlands, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 24 public bills, H.R. 3195–3218; and 7 resolutions, H. Res. 640–643, 646–648 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors: Pages H8100–01

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

H.R. 1622, to provide for a program of research, development, and demonstration on natural gas vehicles, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–206);

H.R. 2729, to authorize the designation of National Environmental Research Parks by the Secretary of Energy, with an amendment (H. Rept. 111–207);

H. Res. 644, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3170) making appropriations for financial services and general government for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–208); and

H. Res. 645, providing for consideration of the bill (H.R. 3183) making appropriations for energy and water development and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010 (H. Rept. 111–209). Pages H8098–99

Recess: The House recessed at 11 a.m. and reconvened at noon. Page H8030

Committee Election: The House agreed to H. Res. 640, electing a Minority Member to a standing committee: Committee on Standards of Official Conduct: Representative Harper. Page H8030

The Chair announced that the operation of H. Res. 640 is stayed pending the House's acceptance of a resignation creating a vacancy on the committee concerned. Agreed to without objection. Page H8030

Committee Resignation: Read a letter from Representative Kline (MN), wherein he resigned from the Committee on Standards of Official Conduct, effective today. Pages H8045–46

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Broun (GA) motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 22 yeas to 380 nays, Roll No. 531. Page H8046

Motion to Adjourn: Rejected the Broun (GA) motion to adjourn by a ye-and-nay vote of 23 yeas to 377 nays, Roll No. 532. Pages H8057–58

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Pilot College Work Study Programs for Veterans Act of 2009: H.R. 1037, amended, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct a five-year pilot

project to test the feasibility and advisability of expanding the scope of certain qualifying work-study activities under title 38, United States Code, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 422 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 535; Pages H8036–37, H8063

William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic Designation Act: H.R. 402, to designate the Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic in Knoxville, Tennessee, as the "William C. Tallent Department of Veterans Affairs Outpatient Clinic", by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 419 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 536; Pages H8037–38, H8063–64

Expressing the profound sympathies of the House of Representatives for the victims of the tragic Metrorail accident on Monday, June 22, 2009, and for their families, friends, and associates: H. Res. 612, to express the profound sympathies of the House of Representatives for the victims of the tragic Metrorail accident on Monday, June 22, 2009, and for their families, friends, and associates, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 421 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 533; and Pages H8039–41, H8061–62

Honoring the life of Wayman Lawrence Tisdale and expressing the condolences of the House of Representatives on his passing: H. Res. 469, to honor the life of Wayman Lawrence Tisdale and to express the condolences of the House of Representatives on his passing, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ ye-and-nay vote of 418 yeas with none voting "nay", Roll No. 534. Pages H8041–43, H8062–63

Suspensions—Proceedings Postponed: The House debated the following measures under suspension of the rules. Further proceedings were postponed:

Celebrating the 30th anniversary of June as "Black Music Month": H. Res. 476, amended, to celebrate the 30th anniversary of June as "Black Music Month"; Pages H8043–45

Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial Enhancement Act of 2009: H.R. 1044, amended, to provide for the administration of Port Chicago Naval Magazine National Memorial as a unit of the National Park System; Pages H8046–48

Conveying certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands: H.R. 934, amended, to convey certain submerged lands to the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands in order to give that territory the same benefits in

its submerged lands as Guam, the Virgin Islands, and American Samoa have in their submerged lands;

Pages H8048–50

Validating final patent number 27–2005–0081: H.R. 762, to validate final patent number 27–2005–0081;

Pages H8050–51

Providing for the sale of the Federal Government's reversionary interest in approximately 60 acres of land in Salt Lake City, Utah, originally conveyed to the Mount Olivet Cemetery Association under the Act of January 23, 1909: H.R. 1442, amended, to provide for the sale of the Federal Government's reversionary interest in approximately 60 acres of land in Salt Lake City, Utah, originally conveyed to the Mount Olivet Cemetery Association under the Act of January 23, 1909;

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Joint Ventures for Bird Habitat Conservation Act of 2009: H.R. 2188, amended, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands;

Pages H8052–56

Authorizing the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California: H.R. 129, amended, to authorize the conveyance of certain National Forest System lands in the Los Padres National Forest in California;

Pages H8056–57

Providing for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Nevada to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway: H.R. 409, amended, to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in the State of Nevada to the Las Vegas Motor Speedway; and

Pages H8058–59

Expressing support for designation of June as "Home Safety Month": H. Res. 543, to express support for designation of June as "Home Safety Month".

Pages H8059–60

Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission—Appointment: Read a letter from the Minority Leader wherein he appointed Representative Gallegly to the Ronald Reagan Centennial Commission. **Page H8064**

Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H8030.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Six yea-and-nay votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8046, H8058, H8061–62, H8062–63, H8063 and H8064. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10:30 a.m. and adjourned at 10 p.m.

Committee Meetings

DAIRY INDUSTRY'S ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy and Poultry held a hearing to review the economic conditions facing the dairy industry. Testimony was heard from Representatives Courtney and Welch; James Miller, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, USDA; and public witnesses.

SEC OVERSIGHT

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Capital Markets, Insurance, and Government Sponsored Enterprises held a hearing entitled "SEC Oversight: Current State and Agenda." Testimony was heard from Mary L. Schapiro, Chairman, SEC.

BIOLOGICS/BIOSIMILARS INNOVATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy held a hearing on Biologics and Biosimilars: Balancing Incentives for Innovation. Testimony was heard from Representative Eshoo; and public witnesses.

MANDATORY SENTENCING MINIMUMS

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security held a hearing on Mandatory Minimums and Unintended Consequences, including consideration of the following bills: H.R. 2934, Common Sense in Sentencing Act of 2009; H.R. 834, Ramos and Compean Justice Act of 2009; and H.R. 1466, Major Drug Trafficking Prosecution Act of 2009. Testimony was heard from Julia E. Carnes, Chair, Criminal Law Committee, Judicial Conference of the United States; and public witnesses.

D.C. METRORAIL CRASH; WMATA FUNDING

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on Federal Workforce, Postal Service and the District of Columbia held an oversight hearing entitled "Back on Track: WMATA Red Line Metro-rail Accident and Continual Funding Challenges." Testimony was heard from Peter M. Rogoff, Administrator, Federal Transit Administration, Department of Transportation; Deborah A. P. Hersman, member, National Transportation Safety Board; Eric Madison, Chairman, Tri-State Oversight Committee of the Transportation Planner Mass Transit Administration, Department of Transportation, District of Columbia; former Representative Thomas M. Davis III, of Virginia; the following officials of the WMATA, John B. Catoe, General Manager; and Jim Graham, Chairman, Board of Directors; and public witnesses.

AFGHAN ECONOMY PROMOTION

Committee on Oversight and Government Reform: Subcommittee on National Security and Foreign Affairs held a hearing entitled “U.S. Promotion of the Afghan Economy: Impediments and Opportunities.” Testimony was heard from Jeremy Pam, Visiting Research Scholar, Sustainable Development, U.S. Institute of Peace; and public witnesses.

THE “ENERGY AND WATER APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010”

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3183, the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read through page 63, line 12. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order (1) the amendments printed in part A of the report of the Committee on Rules; (2) not to exceed one of the amendments printed in part B of the report if offered by Representative Campbell of California or his designee; (3) not to exceed six of the amendments printed in part C of the report if offered by Representative Flake of Arizona or his designee; and (4) not to exceed three of the amendments printed in part D of the report if offered by Representative Hensarling of Texas or his designee. The rule provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that for those amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole, the question of their adoption shall be put to the House en gros and without demand for division of the question. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that after disposition of the amendments specified in the first section of the rule, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees each may offer one pro forma amendment to the bill for the purpose of debate, which shall be controlled by

the proponent. The rule provides that the Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee rise only if offered by the Chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee and that the Chair may not entertain a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill (as described in clause 9 of rule XVIII). The rule provides that during consideration of the bill, the Chair may reduce to two minutes the minimum time for electronic voting. Finally, the rule lays House Resolution 618 on the table. Testimony was heard from Representatives Pastor; Cardoza; Arcuri; Costa; Davis of Tennessee; Frelinghuysen; Wamp; Gingrey; Nunes; Kingston of Georgia and Deal of Georgia.

THE “FINANCIAL SERVICES AND GENERAL GOVERNMENT APPROPRIATIONS ACT, 2010”

Committee on Rules: Granted, by a record vote of 7 to 4, a structured rule providing for consideration of H.R. 3170, the Financial Service and General Government Appropriations Act, 2010. The rule provides one hour of general debate equally divided and controlled by the chair and ranking minority member of the committee on Appropriations. The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the bill except those arising under clauses 9 or 10 of rule XXI. The rule provides that the bill shall be considered as read through page 145, line 11. The rule waives points of order against provisions in the bill for failure to comply with clause 2 of rule XXI. The rule makes in order the amendments printed in the report of the Committee on Rules. The rule provides that each such amendment may be offered only in the order printed in the report, may be offered only by a Member designated in the report, shall be considered as read, shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent, and shall not be subject to a demand for division of the question in the House or in the Committee on the Whole. All points of order against such amendments are waived except those arising under clause 9 or 10 or rule XXI. The rule provides that for those amendments reported from the Committee of the Whole, the question of their adoption shall be put to the House en gros and without demand for division of the question. The rule provides one motion to recommit with or without instructions. The rule provides that after disposition of the amendments specified in the first section of the rule, the chair and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees each may offer one pro forma amendment to the bill for the purpose of debate, which shall be controlled by the proponent. The rule provides that

the Chair may entertain a motion that the Committee rise only if offered by the chair of the Committee on Appropriations or his designee and that the Chair may not entertain a motion to strike out the enacting words of the bill (as described in clause 9 of rule XVIII). Finally, the rule provides that during consideration of the bill, the Chair may reduce to two minutes the minimum time for electronic voting. Testimony was heard from Chairman Serrano; Representatives Inslee; Davis of Tennessee; Emerson; Tiahr; LaTourette; Frelinghuysen; Sessions; Gingrey; Brady of Texas; Walden; Pence; King of Iowa; Jordan of Ohio and Lee of New York.

WIND AND SOLAR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Committee on Science and Technology: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on New Roadmaps for Wind and Solar Research and Development. Testimony was heard from John Saintcross, Program Manager, Energy and Environmental Markets, Energy Research and Development Authority, State of New York; and public witnesses.

DEFENSE—VA ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD INTEROPERABILITY

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations held a hearing on Examining the Progress of Electronic Health Record Interoperability Between VA and DOD. Testimony was heard from Valerie C. Melvin, Director, Information Management and Human Capital Issues, GAO; RADM Gregory Timberlake, USN, Acting Director, Department of Defense/Department of Veterans Affairs Interagency Program Office; the following officials of the Department of Veterans Affairs: Douglas E. Rosendale, Director, Joint Interoperability Ventures, Office of Health Administration, Veterans Health Administration; and Roger W. Baker, Assistant Secretary, Information and Technology; and Mary Ann Rockey, Deputy Chief Information Officer, Military Health System, Department of Defense.

Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 15, 2009

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, Insurance and Investment, to

hold hearings to examine the regulation of hedge funds and other private investment pools, 2:30 p.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings to examine the public safety impact of contraband cell phones in correctional facilities, 10 a.m., SR-253.

Full Committee, to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, and Meredith Atwell Baker, of Virginia, both to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Subcommittee on National Parks, to hold hearings to examine S. 227, to establish the Harriet Tubman National Historical Park in Auburn, New York, and the Harriet Tubman Underground Railroad National Historical Park in Caroline, Dorchester, and Talbot Counties, Maryland, S. 625, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish the Waco Mammoth National Monument in the State of Texas, S. 853, to designate additional segments and tributaries of White Clay Creek, in the States of Delaware and Pennsylvania, as a component of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System, S. 1053, to amend the National Law Enforcement Museum Act to extend the termination date, S. 1117, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance in implementing cultural heritage, conservation, and recreational activities in the Connecticut River watershed of the States of New Hampshire and Vermont, S. 1168 and H.R. 1694, bills to authorize the acquisition and protection of nationally significant battlefields and associated sites of the Revolutionary War and the War of 1812 under the American Battlefield Protection Program, and H.R. 714, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to lease certain lands in Virgin Islands National Park, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: business meeting to consider an original bill to extend the programs of SAFETEA-LU, and the nominations of Robert Perciasepe, of New York, to be Deputy Administrator, and Craig E. Hooks, of Kansas, to be an Assistant Administrator, both of the Environmental Protection Agency, 10:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine the nominations of Vilma S. Martinez, of California, to be Ambassador to Argentina, Nicole A. Avant, of California, to be Ambassador to the Commonwealth of The Bahamas, Vinai K. Thummalappally, of Colorado, to be Ambassador to Belize, and John R. Nay, of Michigan, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Suriname, all of the Department of State, 9:30 a.m., SD-419.

Subcommittee on East Asian and Pacific Affairs, to hold hearings to examine maritime disputes and sovereignty issues in East Asia, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings to examine the REAL ID Act, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Rules and Administration: business meeting to mark up S. 1415, to amend the Uniformed and Overseas Citizens Absentee Voting Act to ensure that absent uniformed services voters and overseas voters are aware of their voting rights and have a genuine opportunity to

register to vote and have their absentee ballots cast and counted, 9:30 a.m., SR-301.

Select Committee on Intelligence: closed business meeting to mark up an original bill authorizing funds for fiscal year 2010 for the intelligence community, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

House

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on Addressing a New Generation of Threats from Weapons of Mass Destruction: Department of Energy Nonproliferation Programs and the Department of Defense Cooperative Threat Reduction Program, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Oversight and Investigations, hearing on Beyond Service Core Competency: Are Our Junior Officers Prepared for Today's Security Environment? 2 p.m., 2212 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and Labor, to mark up H.R. 3200, America's Affordable Health Choices Act of 2009, 3 p.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Financial Services, hearing entitled "Banking Industry Perspectives on the Obama Administration's Financial Regulatory Reform Proposals," 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee Housing and Community Opportunity, to continue hearings entitled "Legislative Options for Preserving Federally- and State-Assisted Affordable Housing and Preventing Displacement of Low-Income, Elderly and Disabled Tenants," 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on Homeland Security, Subcommittee on Transportation Security and Infrastructure Protection, hearing entitled "General Aviation Security: Assessing Risks and the Road Ahead," 2 p.m., 311 Cannon.

Committee on House Administration, Subcommittee on Elections, hearing on Examining Uniformity in Election Standards, 2 p.m., 1310 Longworth.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism and Homeland Security, hearing on H.R. 1064, Youth Prison Reduction Through Opportunities,

Mentoring, Intervention, Support and Education Act, 3 p.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Natural Resources, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 2678, Duwamish Tribal Recognition Act; H.R. 1358, Burt Lake of Ottawa and Chippewa Indians Reaffirmation Act; H.R. 3084 (2576), Chinook Nation Restoration Act; and H.R. 3120, Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indians Restoration Act of 2009, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science and Technology, Subcommittee on Technology and Innovation, to consider H.R. 2569, To authorize surface transportation research, development, and technology transfer activities, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Small Business, hearing entitled "Economic Recovery: Tax Stimulus Items that Benefitted Small Business with a Look Ahead," 1 p.m., 2360 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, Subcommittee on Economic Development, Public Buildings and Emergency Management, hearing on Evaluating GSA's First Experience with National Broker Contracts, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment, hearing on "Opportunities and Challenges in the Creation of a Clean Water Trust Fund," 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Veterans' Affairs, to mark up the following: H.R. 2770, Veterans Nonprofit Research and Education Corporations Enhancement Act of 2009; H.R. 1293, Disabled Veterans Home Improvement and Structural Alteration Grant Increase Act of 2009; H.R. 3155, Caregiver Assistance and Resources Enhancement Act; and a measure to amend title 38, United States Code, to make certain improvement in the laws administered by the Secretary of Veterans Affairs relating to insurance and health care, 10:15 a.m., 334 Cannon.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, Subcommittee on Terrorism, Human Intelligence, Analysis and Counterintelligence, executive, briefing on Hot Spots, 4 p.m., 304-HVC.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

9:30 a.m., Wednesday, July 15

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

10 a.m., Wednesday, July 15

Senate Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 1390, National Defense Authorization Act.

House Chamber

Program for Wednesday: Consideration of H.R. 3183—Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010 (Subject to a Rule).

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